



Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Region One
490 N Meridian Rd
Kalispell, MT 59901
Phone: (406) 752-5501
Fax: (406) 257-0349
Ref: MD-035-09
October 19, 2009

RECEIVED
OCT 22 2009
NW Land Office
KALISPELL MT

Tony Nelson
DNRC
655 Timberwolf Parkway
Kalispell MT 59901

SUBJECT: Permit No.: MISC-124-20-09 R1
Waterbody: Fitzsimmons Creek
Project Name: Fitzsimmons Bridge Replacement

Relative to the Montana Stream Preservation Act, the Department has completed our review of your proposed project on Fitzsimmons Creek. An on-site was not conducted.

Project description: Remove the existing 40-foot portable bridge from this site, and remove, reshape and rehabilitate the failing wooden bridge that is currently beneath the steel bridge and install an approximately 65-foot pre-cast concrete bridge over the site.

Your project has been approved with the following specific control measures:

1. All in-channel construction work will be completed in the work window from July 15 to August 31.

Standard erosion control measures are as follows:

1. All in-stream work shall be completed in an expeditious manner to avoid unnecessary impacts to the streams;
2. Extra precautions shall be taken to preserve existing riparian vegetation;
3. All construction activities performed in the stream and immediate vicinity shall be conducted in a timely manner to reduce in-stream turbidity along with minimizing disturbances to the streambed and/or streambank; and
4. All streambank and adjacent areas disturbed by the construction activity shall be protected with temporary erosion control measures during the construction activities. These areas shall be reclaimed with long-term erosion control measures and revegetated immediately after construction.

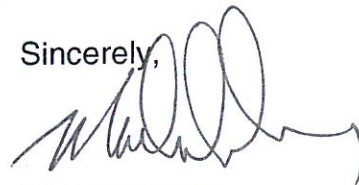
NOTE: This permit is valid for **one year** from the date of receipt.

318 AUTHORIZATION REVIEW

I have reviewed the above project on behalf of the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) pursuant to the Montana Water Quality Act Short-term Water Quality Standards for Turbidity 75-5-318 MCA:

- ☐ This project **will not** increase turbidity if completed according to the conditions listed in the 310 or 124 permit. Therefore, application to DEQ for a 318 authorization **is not** required.
- ☐ Impacts to the physical and biological environment from turbidity generated as a result of this project are uncertain. Therefore, the applicant must contact the Montana Department of Environmental Quality, 1520 East Sixth Avenue, Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620-0901, (406 444-3080) to determine project specific narrative conditions required to meet short-term water quality standards and protect aquatic biota.
- ☒ Turbidity generated from this project is expected to be short-term and have only temporary and minor impacts on the physical and biological environment. Therefore, compliance with the conditions stated in ***DEQ's Short Term Water Quality Standard for Turbidity Related to Construction Activity***, as well as other conditions listed in the 310 or 124 permit, are appropriate for this project.

Sincerely,



Mark Deleray
Fisheries Biologist

/cc

c: Nancy Podolinsky
Doug McDonald
Jeff Ryan, Water Quality Division